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On March 24, 1980, the nine month long struggle to cap the IXTOC I oil well came to an end. Mexican officials announced that the well was successfully capped. It is estimated that more than 130 million barrels of oil spilled into the Gulf of Mexico since June 13, 1979 making this spill the largest ever recorded.



## House of Representatives Committee on Environmental Affairs

March 26, 1980

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Sincerely yours,

Rep. Henry E. Allee Houston The Committee on Environmental Affairs respectfully submits its report on the IXTOC I oil spill in accordance with your charge to the committee.

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